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Farmers block Highway: Traffic thrown out of gear

Farmers staging protest on Mysuru-Nanjangud Highway this morning. Picture right shows traffic jam on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway near Srirangapatna.

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (MTY, RK & BCT)- Farmers held demonstrations at entry and exit points of the city this morning to mark one year of the farmers' protest against the Centre's farm laws. The intensity of protest was severely felt on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway and Mysuru-Nanjangud Highway where vehicular traffic was thrown out of gear.

Police had a tough time in controlling the protesters who had brought their livestock onto the roads and had blocked the Highways at many places. Though it was not a united protest as the demonstrators were led by various splinter groups of farmers' associations, the impact was high as vehicles waited in long queues, waiting for clearance.

Last week, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced that the three controversial farm laws would be rolled back. The farmer unions welcomed the move but have said that they would not end their protest till the laws are formally repealed and other demands including Minimum Support Price (MSP) are met.

With the protest showing no signs of retreat, even after the Centre announced that the three laws would be repealed, farmers held several events and protests across the country. In Mysuru, the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway and Mysuru-Nanjangud Highway were the venue of protests with the Kirangooru Circle after Srirangapatna being the epicentre.

(See FARMERS on page 6)

66-day Special Dasara Expo begins at 6 pm today

Rs. 30 for adults, Rs. 20 for children above 12 years; parking charges extra

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (RK&BCT)- A 66-day Special Dasara Exhibition is all set to entertain Mysureans after a gap of two years. The last Dasara Exhibition was held in 2019.

The exhibition with a wide range of shopping, food, entertainment and games will be inaugurated at the Dasara Exhibition Grounds this evening at 6. The exhibition will be open from 3.30 pm to 9 pm on all the 66 days. The expo will end on Jan. 30.

Adults entering the exhibition will be charged Rs. 30 and children between 5 years and 12 years will be charged Rs. 20. Apart from entry fee, parking charges will be separate. A decision on parking fees will be taken today evening.

In all, there will be 142 shops selling a wide variety of products from all over India including from cottage industry, pottery, handicrafts, cooperative weaving societies from Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Rajasthan and the likes. There will be many shops dedicated to household and consumer items and also rare metal and wooden crafts that can increase the aesthetic value of homes.

(See EXPO on page 6)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 26th November 2021

Bag Medals in District Athletic Meet

Medal winners** (standing from left) **Nikhil, Chethan, Prajwal, Dhivija Bharadwaj and Dhisha are seen with** (sitting from left) **Assistant Teacher Sandeep, Principal N. Bharathi Shankar, Secretary H.R. Bhagwan, Promoter Shrinivas and Physical Education Trainer Shrikant.

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (MRK)- The students of Hari Vidyalaya in Bogadi, who participated in the District Athletics Meet held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium on Nov. 20 and 21 have bagged five gold medals and four silver medals in various events.

The medal winners are: Dhivija Bharadwaj of 9th standard has bagged gold medals in 100 mts. and 300 mts. running race in the Girl's category, while Nikhil, also a 9th standard student, bagged gold medals in 100 mts. and 300 mts. running race in the Boy's category. Dhisha, a I PUC student, bagged a gold medal in 800 mts. and a silver medal in 1,500 mts. running race. Prajwal, a II PUC student, has bagged a silver medal in long jump, Chethan, also a II PUC student, bagged silver medals in 100 mts. and 200 mts. running race.

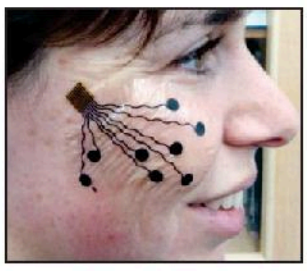
The medal winners were felicitated and presented with cash prizes by the School.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

While most of the new daily cases reported are among the unvaccinated, breakthrough infections and hospitalisations are being reported in the fully vaccinated too. However, the deaths have predominantly been among the unvaccinated. Even while WHO has called for a moratorium on booster doses till this year-end so vaccines become available to developing countries, its Europe office has endorsed administering booster doses as a "priority" to the most vulnerable populations — based on growing evidence of a decline in protection against infection and mild disease among the fully vaccinated. As evidence has shown, vaccines alone will be insufficient to break the transmission chain. Unfortunately, most western countries focused primarily on increasing vaccination coverage while foregoing simple yet highly effective non-pharmaceutical interventions such as universal mask wearing, physical distancing and improved ventilation in confined spaces. A study, which is yet to be peer-reviewed, predicts 0.9 million more hospitalisations and 0.3 million additional deaths in 19 European countries where people have been neither infected nor vaccinated. WHO predicts 0.7 million more deaths by March 2022 in Europe and Central Asia. Compliance with public health measures can indeed avoid needless infections and deaths. — *In The Hindu*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Technology tracks facial muscle movements for lies



Tel Aviv: A team of Israeli researchers have claimed to have come up with a new technology that detect lies through movement of facial muscles.

Using stickers printed on soft surfaces containing electrodes that monitor and measure the activity of muscles and nerves, a team of researchers led by Prof. Dino Levy from Tel Aviv University, discovered that some people involuntarily activate muscles in their cheeks and eyebrows when they lie.

No sensors had been able to measure these subtle muscle contractions before, but the innovative ones invented by Prof. Yael Hanein and sold by Israeli company X-trodes proved sensitive enough. Tests revealed a 73% success rate of lie identification, better than any existing technology.

Father sets up lab to create medicine for son

Beijing: Desparate to find the medicine for his two-year-old son and even unable to import it from abroad, a loving father set up his own laboratory and synthesized the drug himself.

Two-year-old Haoyang suffers from Menkes Syndrome, an ultra-rare genetic disorder that affects how copper is processed and absorbed in the body. The boy cannot move or speak and experts claim he only has months left to live but his father refuses to give up on him. As long as he draws breath, he is determined to do everything he can for his son, even if it means teaching himself chemistry and producing the medicine authorities have been unable to provide.

But Xu Wei, a desperate father from southwestern Kunming in China, has touched millions with his determination and unwavering devotion to his ailing son, Xu Wei has set up a DIY Lab to create medicine for his ailing son.

HEALTH CAPSULE

WHEN WOULD I NEED TO TALK TO MY ENT SPECIALIST ABOUT GETTING MY (OR MY CHILD'S) TONSILS OUT? Repeated infections or obstruction to the breathing the reasons for getting tonsil surgery done. With available spectrum of antibiotics, chronic tonsillitis has become lesser reason for surgery. With affluent lifestyle, increasing obesity and acid reflux the tonsillar hypertrophy is becoming rampant, which may require Tonsillectomy as a part of pharyngoplasty. Increase in Allergic airway disease also stimulates enlargement of lymphoid organs such as adenoids and tonsils, which may need surgical removal.

By Dr. Dathathri H. A.- Consultant ENT, Head & Neck Surgeon & Cochlear Implant Surgeon

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** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Jain Yuva Sanghtan fetes Fasting Devotee

Mysuru, Nov. 26-Maskaman Fasting devotee Anand Raj Bhansali Patwa, who completed Tapasya (48 days of fasting) under the blessings of Ruchitaji and Vivekprabhaji at Sri S.S. Jain Bhawan in Halladkeri, Mysuru, was felicitated by the members of Sri Sthankvasi Jain Yuva Sanghtan recently.

Anand Raj Patwa consumed only warm water till sunset for continues 48 days without taking any solid food.

Earlier, Yuva Sanghtan President Manohar Sankhla welcomed. Founder-President Budhmal Baghmar, Past President Rajan Baghmar, Kamal Kishore Lodha, Dharmachand Mutha, Prakash Gandhi, Sunil Patwa, Dinesh Pipada, Sampat Baghmar, Goutham Patwa, Bharath Patwa, SS Jain Sangh President Tejraj Nangwath and Secretary Subhash Dhoka, Helping Hands Jain Organisation President Mahaveer Chand Khabiya and others were present.

REALLY...?

- ***Ants are slave-makers:** This may sound strange but hear us out. Some species of ant, such as the Polyergus lucidus, are known as slave-making ants. They invade neighbouring ant colonies, capturing its inhabitants and forcing them to work for them. This process is known as 'slave raiding'.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

***Science teacher:** How fast does light travel?*
***Student:** I don't know, teacher, but it gets here too early in the morning!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 74.66
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 99.34
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1 Euro	= Rs. 83.78

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	NOVEMBER 24	NOVEMBER 25
Day's Positive Cases	30	20
Total Positive Cases	1,79,630	1,79,650
Day's Discharges	7	0
Total Discharges	1,76,961	1,76,961
Day's Deaths	0	0
Total Deaths	2,429	2,429
Total Active Cases	240	260

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

Multiple civic issues in Vani Vilas Layout

Sir,

The residents of a street in Vani Vilas Layout, Hebbal (behind Indian Overseas Bank) are grappling with multiple civic problems like poor roads, indiscriminate dumping of garbage, dumping of construction debris, stray dogs/cattle, non-functioning street lights and flooding of street during heavy rains.

This photograph of our area highlights every issue that I have mentioned in this letter. I request the MCC authorities concerned to look in to these issues on priority.

—Naveen Gowda
Hebbal
23.11.2021

'B Kharab' land row at foot of Chamundi Hill

SC dismisses State's review petition

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (BCT)- The Supreme Court (SC) has dismissed a review petition by the Karnataka Government against a High Court's judgement proclaimed on Dec. 15, 2020 which declared the ownership of 1561.31 acres of prime land at Kurubarahalli of Mysuru Taluk Kasaba Hobli, Alanahalli and Chowdalli in favour of the erstwhile Mysore royal family.

The State Government had contended that the HC order went against the Accession Treaty of 1950, signed between the Maharaja of Mysore and Dominion of India on Jan.23, 1950 and an earlier British Government decision taken in 1881-83 declaring the land as 'B-Kharab', that is meant for public purpose.

A Division Bench of the SC passed the verdict on Nov. 23 quashing the appeal of Karnataka Government challenging the HC order. Now that the SC has confirmed that the land belongs to the royal family, the State Government has exhausted all its legal options, said sources.

The HC had overturned the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner's order in 2015 which declared those as Government land and this was questioned in the SC by the State Government. On July 26 this year, the SC had dismissed the plea and the State Government had filed a review petition that has now been dismissed by the Division Bench.

Rejecting the State's plea, the Bench of Justices U.U. Lalit and Ajay Rastogi said that the Court had examined the issues highlighted in the review petition and felt that there was no need of intervening in the earlier verdict.

In its earlier judgement, the SC had said that the State Government cannot wake up after decades when the land has already been purchased by the people. It also said the State itself has acquired the lands after 1950 which means it has acknowledged these lands were of Maharaja.

With this development, the people who bought the land out of 1561.31 acres would continue to enjoy fruits of their properties as the Government's efforts to get control over those lands have been rejected.

Out of total extent of 1563.31 acres, more than 600 acres of land comprises Government and public properties such as lakes, forest land, State Administrative Training Institute (ATI), State Institute of Rural Development (SIRD), Mounted Police, Jockey Quarters, Zoo, Horse Park, Race Course, Lalitha Mahal Palace, Helipad, shooting range, public lakes such as Karanji Lake and Tavarekatte.

There are other lands owned by the public and some of the land owners who had purchased the land from the royal family had approached the High Court praying for a direction to the State Government to issue Khatas.

The land owners have contended that despite the High Court issuing orders on Dec. 15, 2020 directing the Government to issue Khatas, the process has been delayed and had filed a contempt of court application against the then Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri. **The HC will take up this petition for hearing on Dec. 7.**

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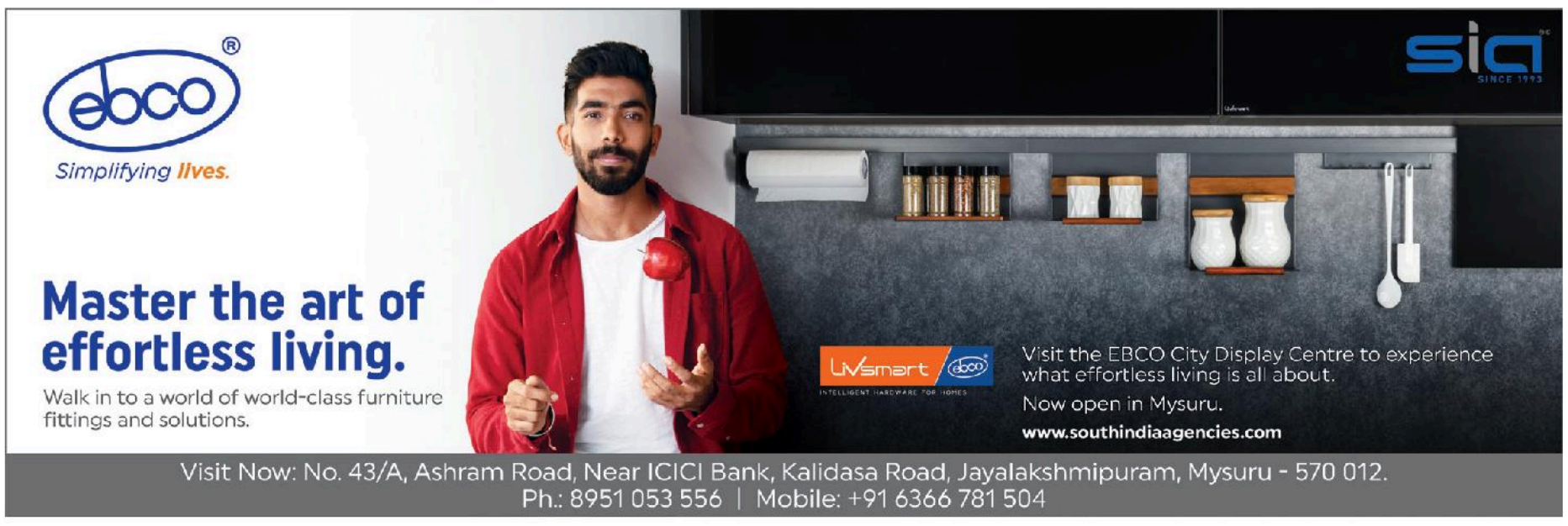
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NEWS BRIEFS

Story-telling

As part of 'Kathe Kelona Banni,' Kalasuruchi has organised story telling by V. Ganesh, Writer and retd. teacher, Mysuru at Suruchi Rangamane, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, on Nov. 27 from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm. For details, contact Mob: 92435-81097 or 99459-43115.

Madikeri DD Service to cease operation

As per the directions of Prasad Bharati Board, New Delhi, Doordarshan (DD) Low Power Transmitter at Madikeri, operating on VHF Channel No: 11, 217.25 MHz., providing Doordarshan National/ Regional Service will cease operation with effect from 1.1.2022.

Objections invited

As Doddamaragowdanahalli Primary Agricultural Credit Co-operative Society in Mysuru taluk has ceased to function, the Co-operation Department liquidated the Society through an order issued on Aug. 3, 2020. Now that the Society is found to be of no use to the public, the Co-operation Department has decided to terminate the Registration of the Society and has invited objections, if any, for the same. The members of the Society or any other members of the public, who have any objection to the termination of Registration of the Society, can submit the same within 15 days at the office of Assistant Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Mysuru Sub-Division, Public Offices Building, Mysuru.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80	feet
Today	:	124.80	feet
Yesterday	:	124.80	feet
Inflow	:	11,062	cusecs
Outflow	:	10,853	cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Today	:	2,283.94	feet
Inflow	:	1,861	cusecs
Outflow	:	1,400	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,857.46	feet
Inflow	:	603	cusecs
Outflow	:	766	cusecs

Pourakarmikas to get appointment order soon

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (PM&DM)- Asserting that MCC Pourakarmikas who have been identified for direct credit of wages, will soon be issued appointment orders, MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy said that tenders have been invited for construction of 158 houses for pourakarmikas at Malalawadi.

Speaking at the pourakarmika grievances meeting at Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Auditorium in MCC Office here on Wednesday, Lakshmikantha Reddy said that guidelines are being prepared at the Government-level for appointment of pourakarmikas in local bodies. Pointing out that the guidelines will be framed soon, he said that all pourakarmika vacancies will be filled up once the guidelines are received.

Referring to the 30-point charter of demands put-forth by MCC Regular and Contract Pourakarmika Mahasangha, the MCC Commissioner said that tenders have been invited for construction of 158 houses in 1 acre and 20 guntas of land at Malalawadi and the housing beneficiaries have been identified.

Assuring to address all issues raised by pourakarmikas within the purview of law, he said that such demands which are to be decided at the Government-level would be forwarded to higher authorities.

Cards issuance on Dec. 1

Referring to the problems that direct-credit pourakarmikas are facing in respect of ESI facilities, Lakshmikantha Reddy said that a special camp will be held at the city's Town Hall on Dec. 1, during which ESI Cards and Ayushman Bharat Health Cards will be distributed.

Responding to a plea by the Mahasangha President N. Mara, who sought to bring 24 serving contract pourakarmikas under the cover of direct recruitment, the MCC Commissioner said that they are recruited on humanitarian grounds and the MCC cannot do much on the issue.

MCC Additional Commissioner Roopa, MCC Deputy Commissioner Savitha, Health Officer Dr. Nagaraj and others were present.

Former Mayor Narayan, Mahasangha President N. Mara, office-bearers N. Mohankumar, T. Srinivas, C.R. Rachaiah, Durganna, Rajiv, N. Arunkumar, Shankarappa and others were present.

Urging to waive off water bills of poor, SUCI stages protest in front of MCC

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (PM&KS)- Urging the MCC to waive off water bills of the poor and not to disconnect water supply to the houses, the members of Socialist Unity Centre of India (SUCI) - Communist, staged a protest in front of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Office here yesterday.

The protestors said that when the Government Departments itself have to pay pending water bills to the tune of Rs. 45 crore, but instead of collecting the arrears from these Government Departments, the MCC was disconnecting water supply connections of houses of the poor.

Pointing out that most of the poor people had lost their livelihood during the two-year COVID pandemic and were still looking out for jobs, the protestors said that the Government instead of coming to the aid of these poor people were collecting taxes which is condemnable.

Meanwhile, MCC Deputy Commissioner Savitha who met the protestors, received the memorandum and said that it is the Government which decides on waiving off dues and assured them that the disconnection drive would be stopped following which the protest was withdrawn.

SUCI District Secretary B. Ravi, labour leader Chandrashekar Meti, leaders Sunil, Sandhya, Seema, Surya and those whose water supply connections were disconnected took part in the protest.

Villagers crowd 'miracle' neem tree oozing 'milk'

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (Biligiri&BCT)- Call it the height of ignorance or blind faith, but people have been believing incomprehensible incidents as God's blessings. Mysterious incidents have always brought blind faith among people to the fore.

The latest is the news of white milk-like fluid oozing out from a neem tree at Murudahalli village near Jayapura Hobli in Mysuru Taluk that has raised tremendous curiosity and people are offering pujas to the tree thinking that the juice is a form of divine blessings.

Residents of the village and neighbouring villages are rushing towards the neem tree in the land that belongs to Chamaraju to find milk-like fluid oozing out from the tree. For the past four to five days, villagers have been queuing up to offer incense sticks, flowers and currency coins to it and conducting special prayers for fulfilment of their wishes.

With liquid seeping out from the tree, the villagers believe it to be a supernatural event. Some consider the liquid holy and have been storing it to cure diseases while others are praying to the tree.

The villagers have transformed the tree into a place of worship. They have been applying vermilion, turmeric to the tree and have offered coconuts. Some villagers said that they had never witnessed such a mysterious incident in their lives while others said the neem tree liquid was bitter in taste.

Fluid seeping due bacterial infection, says Forestry Professor

However, a Forestry Professor from V.C. Farm in Mandya Dr. J. Mahadevu said the fluid is seeping out of the tree because of bacterial infection. He added that it is not an unusual feature and usually happens when a tree is 50 years old or more.

"After a neem tree turns old, it starts storing excess water in the tissues. Because of bacterial infection, which is known as 'agrobacterium tumefaciens,' tumours form in the stem of the tree. When atmospheric humidity is high, the tissues of these tumours turn weak and get cracked, resulting in discharge of liquid. The liquid continuously seeps out of tumours for four to six days," Dr. J. Mahadevu said.

ACB raid: Rs. 3.5 crore properties found with K.R. Pet Executive Engineer Srinivas

2.5 kg gold, 5.5 kg silver, Rs. 32 lakh cash, various property documents found

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (RK&KS)- The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) officials, who conducted raids on the residence of Hemavathi Left Bank Canal Executive Engineer Srinivas in city have unearthed cash, jewellery and documents of various properties worth Rs. 3.5 crore.

During the raid, the ACB sleuths found 1 kg gold worth Rs. 60 lakh at his Bogadi residence in city and 1.5 kg gold ornaments in his Canara bank locker, 5.5 kg silver, Rs. 32 lakh cash at his house and his bank account, a flat worth Rs. 1 crore, two luxury cars worth Rs. 25 lakh, a farm house at Hadinaru village in Nanjangud taluk, two acre agricultural land near Bannikuppe in Hunsur taluk and near K.R. Nagar and one site each in Lal Bahadur Shastri Nagar and Vasanthnagar in Mysuru. The total value of the properties is about Rs. 3.5 crore.

A native of Cheeranahalli village in K.R. Nagar taluk, Srinivas, who joined for service in the Irrigation Department had served in Hassan, Mysuru, Kalaburagi, Malavalli and was presently serving as the Executive Engineer at the Hemavathi Right Bank Canal Division at K.R. Pet. He was set to retire in February 2022.

The officials, who knocked on the doors of Srinivas's house in Bogadi at about 5.45 am on Wednesday, conducted simultaneous raids on his farm house at Hadinaru village and his Office in K.R. Pet. When they continued their operation on the second day yesterday, the above properties were found.

ACB ACP Arunankshu Giri and Mandya ACB Dy.SP Dharmendra guided Inspectors Vinod Kumar, Purushotham, Kumar and C. Kiran Kumar and staff Venkatesh, Kumar, Mahesh, Papanna, Netravathi and others in the raid.

Inspection and verification of documents were on and ACB officials said that today, they will be verifying documents pertaining to Srinivas's house and other properties.

Boy goes missing in city

Y.J. Vikas

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (KS)- A 15-year-old boy, who left his house at Hinkal on Nov. 9, has since gone missing.

The missing boy is Y.J. Vikas. He is 5ft. tall, oval faced, oily red complexioned, normal built, speaks Kannada and Telugu and was wearing a brown coloured half arm shirt and black pant at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing boy, may contact Vijayanagar Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418117/317/517 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

Couple among five killed in road accidents

Two road mishaps take place on the same road within 24 hours

Chamarajanagar, Nov. 26 (SS &KS)- Five persons including a couple have lost their lives in two separate road accidents that took place within 24 hours on NH-212.

On Wednesday evening, two youths were killed on the spot, when a car hit their bike near Badanaguppe village in the taluk and on Thursday evening, within 24 hours of the above accident taking place, three persons including a couple were killed when a KSRTC bus collided head on with a bike on the Railway over-bridge on the same road.

The deceased have been identified as Shanthamallappa (55) and his wife Anitha (45) of Heggotara village and Ashok (26) of Chennipuramole village.

Yesterday evening, Shanthamallappa, Anitha and Ashok were proceeding on the bike from Chamarajanagar to Heggotara village and when they were passing on the Railway over-bridge, a KSRTC bus coming from Mysuru side collided head-on with the bike killing the three on the spot.

It is learnt that Shanthamallappa and Anitha had gone to Chamarajanagar to avail medical treatment. After getting treatment, the couple met Ashok, who offered them a lift to Heggotara village and the trio were proceeding towards the village when the accident took place.

Chamarajanagar Traffic Inspector Mahesh, Sub-Inspector Nandeesh, Superintendent of Police (SP) Divya Sara Thomas and Dy.SP Priyadarshini Sanekoppa visited the spot. A case has been registered at Chamarajanagar Town Police Station.

Traffic Inspector Mahesh said that everyone should know that by following traffic rules while riding or driving vehicles, they will be safe and most of the road accidents take place when traffic rules are violated which results in injuries and death. Hence it is very important to follow traffic rules.

Helmets will be made mandatory: Inspector Mahesh said that in a bid to prevent deaths and serious injuries during road accidents, wearing helmets for two-wheeler riders will be made compulsory.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, he said that the five persons who were killed in two separate accidents had died of severe bleeding due to head injuries. Their lives could have been saved, if they had worn helmets, he added.

"These accidents are being taken seriously. Helmet rule will be brought to force after holding discussions with the SP and will be implemented with immediate effect. Strict action will be taken against motorists for traffic rules violations," the Inspector said.

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50 Scouts and Guides pedal for prevention of single-use plastics

To reach Bandipur tomorrow

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (KS) - A bicycle rally with the theme 'Prevention of Plastic,' organised by Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Scouts Group, Mysuru district, was flagged off this morning in city.

The bicycle rally held under 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' campaign was flagged off by Mysuru Division South Western Railway Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) Rahul Agarwal, who is also the President of South Western Railway State Bharat Scouts & Guides, from the DRM's Office premises.

About 50 Scouts and Guides, who are cycling to create awareness on the ill-effects of plastics passed through Nanjangud-Ooty Road to reach Begur today evening. The cyclists will travel to Bandipur tomorrow.

Speaking after flagging off the rally, DRM Agarwal exhorted the participants to highlight the reasons to avoid single-use plastic and suggest sustainable alternatives.

Pointing out that single-use plastic harms the health of the people and is also a reason for the deterioration of the health of the land, he said that the youths of the country were now coming forward to fight the menace of single-use plastic.

The cycle rally aims to spread awareness about hygiene, perils of indiscriminate use of single-use plastics in rural, urban, forest areas and removing vaccine hesitancy through street plays and interaction sessions with the local population at Begur and Gundlupet. At Bandipur, for the benefit of Scouts & Guides, the Officers of the Forest Department will hold an awareness session about Do's and Don'ts followed by a nature study.

District Chief Commissioner and Additional Divisional Railway Manager of Mysuru Division A. Devasahayam, Additional Divisional Railway Manager-II Budati Srinivasulu, Hon. District Secretary and Senior Divisional Personnel Officer Prashanth Mastiholi and Senior Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer D. Sreenivasalu were present on the occasion.

11 KAS Officers elevated to IAS

Dr. M. Mahesh *S.J. Somashekar* *A.B. Basavaraju* *M. Shilpa*

Mysuru, Nov. 26 - As many as 11 KAS Officers of the State have been elevated to IAS. The Union Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, in an order dated Nov.25, 2021, said 11 Officers of Karnataka State Civil Service (KAS) have been appointed to Indian Administrative Service (IAS) against vacancies determined by Government of India, in consultation with State Government for select list of 2020, on probation until further orders.

The officers are — N. Chandrashekar, A.B. Basavaraju, M. Shilpa, S. Naveen Kumar Raju, Dr. M. Mahesh, S.J. Somashekar, Dr.B.V. Vasanthi Amar, G. Lingamurthy, S. Rangappa, H. Prasanna and Ibrahim Maigur.

Dr. M. Mahesh, who hails from T. Narasipur, had previously served as MUDA Commissioner at Mysuru, while M. Shilpa is from Nanjangud taluk, A.B. Basavaraju is from Maddur taluk and S.J. Somashekar is a native of Sosale in T. Narasipur taluk.

Somashekar, a 2006 batch KAS Officer, had previously served in Mysuru as Additional Regional Commissioner, CESC Managing Director and MCC Assistant Commissioner. He had also served as Additional DC at Ballari and Tumakuru. Currently, he is serving as the Administrative Officer of Karnataka Examination Authority in Bengaluru.

Bridge on Mysuru-Hassan road collapses; traffic diverted

Kushalnagar, Nov. 26 (Akshay& BCT)- A portion of a bridge on the Mysuru-Hassan road has collapsed and the Police and Public Works Department has blocked traffic on the road and made arrangements to divert the traffic.

Due to incessant rain, the portion of the bridge built on River Cauvery near Arekere village collapsed and this was noticed by some villagers this morning who immediately alerted the authorities. This is the only shortest route that links Mysuru and Hassan via K.R. Nagar and it is generally busy with constant movement of vehicles.

After the incident came to light, barricades were placed on both sides of the bridge and traffic was diverted via Chowkalli and Dornahalli.

Farmers stage protest, block highway

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Farmers converged there as early as 8 am and began their agitation. Protests on the Mysuru-Nanjangud Highway started at 11 am and did not have much of an impact as the Police were ready with the traffic diversion plan. The protests were organised under the banner of Samyukta Kisan Morcha, State Sugarcane Growers Association, Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha (Samoohika Nayakathva - collective leadership) and Hasiru Sene.

While the farmers led by Sugarcane Growers Association President Kurubur Shanthakumar protested on the Mysuru-Nanjangud Highway near the Ring Road junction, Bandipalya APMC Yard, Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha Samoohika Nayakathva led by President Badagalapura Nagendra agitated near Kirangooru junction.

As the major impact was on the busy Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway, traffic was diverted at the Columbia Asia Hospital

Junction and no heavy vehicles were allowed towards Srirangapatna, except local vehicles.

The Narasimharaja Traffic Police had diverted vehicles towards Royal Inn Junction, KRS Road, Nagamangala and Pandavapura to reach Bengaluru.

Another route where the traffic was diverted to was Bannur, Malavalli, Maddur and Kanakapura to reach Bengaluru.

There was a long line of traffic on the Royal Inn Junction and on the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway, the Police had to clear ambulances heading towards various city hospitals.

On the Nanjangud side, the traffic was diverted through Gejjagalli and Devalapura as the protesters squatted on the roads with their livestock.

Mysuru South Police, Vidyaranyapuram and K.R. Traffic Police haggled with protesters to make way for smooth movement of traffic.

The Police had to issue stern warnings to the protesting farmers a couple of times and they were warned of arrests.

Farmers who are preparing the lunch for protesters have set up a makeshift kitchen at Baburayanakoppal in Srirangapatna.

66-day Special Dasara Expo begins at 6 pm today

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This apart, wholesome entertainment is in the offing along with lip-smacking delicacies. Special stalls are being set up to display toys and electronic items. Over 100 shops have already been established in the space provided by the Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) and 45 more shoppers are on their way to establish outlets, said KEA Chairman Hemanth Kumar Gowda.

All entertainment activities will begin from Sunday (Nov. 28) and a host of entertainment activities, culinary training, pottery making and painting have been organised so that visitors can also learn some skills apart from indulging in shopping and filling their stomachs with delicacies. Arrangements have been made to cater to the interests of tourists and local residents, he added.

Bengaluru-based Fun World has bagged the contract for the conduct of the entire expo and the deal has been signed for Rs. 62 lakh. The contractor has already paid the money to the KEA and has the exclusive rights for the entry tickets and parking. Also, the contractor has to bear the expenses of electricity, water, security, cleanliness and generators. The KEA will not spend money on these, Hemanth Kumar Gowda said.

Post-Matric Student Scholarship

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (ASC)- The Backward Classes Welfare Department (BCWD), Mysuru has invited online applications from students belonging to Backward Classes, Nomadic, Semi-Nomadic and Category-1 groups for availing Post-Matric Student Scholarship and various benefits under Vidyasiri Scheme for the year 2021-22.

Last date for submitting applications is Nov. 30. Students can submit their applications by logging on to *https://ssp.postmatric.karnataka.gov.in/*

For details such as documents to be submitted, qualification and Government order, log on to *https://bcwd.karnataka.gov.in* or call Mob: 80507-70005 or 80507-70004.

Citizen-centric services at heart of governance

'Mysuru Declaration' resolves to roll out 'Common Minimum Service' delivery by Panchayats

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (PIB)- Ministry of Panchayat Raj, Government of India in association with National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (NIRD&PR), Hyderabad and Abdul Nazir Sab State Institute of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (ANS-SIRD&PR), Mysuru, had organised a 'National Consultative Workshop on Citizen Charter and Delivery of Services by Panchayats' in the city on Nov. 22 as part of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.*

Participants from 16 States signed the 'Mysuru Declaration' and resolved to roll out the 'Common Minimum Service' delivery by Panchayats across the country from April 1, 2022. The declaration is aimed at recognising citizen-centric services as the "heart of governance."

Sunil Kumar, Secretary, Ministry of Panchayat Raj, set the tone by providing key inputs on various aspects of service delivery that are either provided by the Panchayats directly or services of other Departments that are facilitated by Panchayats through a monitoring mechanism.

He suggested that common minimum services need to be arrived at by different States that could be provided by the Panchayats.

Chandra Shekhar Kumar, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Panchayat Raj, highlighted the efforts of the Ministry to provide improved services to the community in rural areas.

He suggested that the services that can be provided by the Panchayats have been listed by the Ministry and the States can start working on the guidelines issued by the Ministry.

Uma Mahadevan, Principal Secretary, RDPR, Government of Karnataka, in her inaugural address highlighted the services that are provided by the Panchayats in Karnataka, especially the health services that were extended by the Panchayats during the COVID-19 epidemic last year.

Shilpa Nag, State RDPR Department Commissioner, explained about the functioning of Bapuji Seva Kendras, General Seva Kendras and Grama One Centres that come under the Department.

Alok Prem Nagar, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Panchayat Raj, has been the force behind launching the present campaign on providing citizen-centric services across the States.

He highlighted the steps taken by different States focussing on infrastructure related issues and also e-initiatives to improve service delivery.

The workshop was attended by senior officials and policy-makers from different States and resource persons involved in improving services to citizens. The delegates from various States shared their experiences during the workshop.

K. Lakshmi Priya, Director, ANS-SIRD&PR; Dr. R. Chinnadurai, Associate Professor, NIRD&PR; Padmashekar Pandey, ANS-SIRD Joint Director; K.S. Manoj Kumar, Deputy Director; Dr. Ganesh Prasad, Workshop Co-ordinator; faculty T.M. Abubaker, M.S. Giridhar, B.K. Manu, Shankar, Deepa, Mallikarjunaswamy, Nagaraj, Prakash, Dr. H.S. Hemambara, Dr. Pramod Mohan, Chand Kavate, Murali, C. Vijaykumar, J.M. Krishna and others were present.

The Charter of 'Mysuru Declaration'

We, the representatives and officials recognise the efforts to promote inclusive and accountable Local Self Governments in delivery of services, in consonance with the priorities and the aspirations of our citizens.

We accept responsibility for seizing this moment to strengthen our commitments to promote transparency, empower citizens, and harness the power of new technologies towards timely and quality delivery of services; enhancing citizen service experiences.

We uphold the value of openness in our engagement with citizens to improve services, incorporating diverse views when designing and delivering services. We embrace principles of transparency and open Government with a view towards achieving greater prosperity, well-being and human dignity for sustainable development of local communities.

Together, we declare our commitment to:

• Increase the availability of citizen services at the grassroots levels in a timely and efficient manner, commencing with offering of the following basic, statutory and/ or essential services at the Gram Panchayat level from 1st April, 2022.

• Implement the highest standards of professional integrity and accountability towards timely delivery of public services.

• We pledge to lead by example and contribute to advancing service delivery at grassroots level.

• Our goal is towards timely delivery of services for empowering citizens, promoting the inclusive and sustainable growth of rural India.

• We commit to espouse these principles in States and work to foster institution-building at the grassroots level that empowers and delivers services for citizens — Improving quality of life through efficient and effective service delivery mechanisms for Panchayat residents, specifically for the welfare of women, children, senior citizens, physically and mentally challenged and other vulnerable and marginalised sections of society.

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Sd/- Shankar Mariyappa

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TENNIS TALK

By U.B. Acharya

Year Ending Review-2021 and Novak Djokovic

Novak Djokovic

One may ask "How come year ending review is written a good 36 days before the end of the year?" The reason is that unlike cricket season which extend to 52 weeks every year, tennis season is for about 47 weeks only with no tennis tournament for 5 weeks from November end to 31st December every year. This is very sensible because it gives the players a much needed rest and also some time to spend with their families.

2021 Review

While in normal years, apart from four Majors or mistakenly called as Grand Slams, one ATP Finals (actually the last tournament of the year) and nine Masters 1000 events, more than 50 ATP 500 and ATP 250 events are held. In addition, literally 100s of Challengers and Features tournaments are held all over the world. However, due to pandemic situation, one Masters 1000 and many of the ATP 500 and ATP 250 tournaments were cancelled. Among the casualties, the only ATP event in India, Pune ATP 250 tournament, had to be cancelled. Fortunately, all the four Majors were completed albeit with no spectators or very limited spectators.

Now regarding the Majors, while Serbian Novak "Nole" Djokovic won the first three events, the fourth was won by the Russian Daniil Medvedev (more about this later). Also, the year ending ATP Finals was claimed by German Alexander "Shasha" Zverev. Among the eight Masters 1000 events, two were won by Zverev, one each by Hubert Hurkacz (Poland), Stefanos Tsitsipas (Greece), Rafael Nadal (Spain), Medvedev, Djokovic and Cameron Norrie (UK).

The Olympics event which should have been held in 2020 had to be postponed and was held in 2021. This event was also won by Zverev.

Novak Djokovic

After winning the third round in Wimbledon when a reporter asked Djokovic about his fighting spirit, he attributed several reasons — his perilous youth in the war-ravaged Serbia, his inspirational first coach Jelena Gencic, his no-stone unturned perfectionism, his legendary rivals Roger Federer and Nadal, his savvy touring team, his beloved family and yes, "Wolves".

As an explanation to the last word he said "A part of it comes from my upbringing in the mountains. I spent a lot of time with wolves. So this is wolf energy right here and I am not kidding, actually!" There is no doubt that it is true. He has won three matches when he was match point down against Federer but he managed to hit unbelievable winners. Also he has won matches after being two sets down.

Djokovic started the year with a bang but ended with a wimp. He won the first three majors against youngsters (namely Medvedev, Tsitsipas and Italian Matteo Berrettini) in style. While Australian Open and Wimbledon were easy, French Open was a real struggle. In the semi finals, he overcame 13 times champion Nadal and in the finals, after losing two sets, he won in five against Tsitsipas. In the Olympics and in the ATP Finals, he lost in semifinals to Zverev and in the all-important US Open, he lost in the finals to Medvedev in straight sets. With tears in his eyes, he said that the pressure got too much and he could not execute his normal game! One must realise that he was playing against World No. 2 and after all, he is also a human being with emotions!

In the beginning of the year, he had openly expressed his desire to overtake Federer (310 weeks) in number weeks as No. 1. He achieved this during March and still is No. 1. By the end of the year, he would have got 348 weeks. By being year ending No. 1 ranked player, he has achieved this honour seven times thus beating legendary Pete Sampras (US) who has achieved this six times.

His second objective was to match the number of Majors with Federer and Nadal (both have 20 Majors). By winning the Wimbledon this year, he achieved that target. What he did not express but wanted badly was to win the Grand Slam. That was not to be.

Daniil Medvedev

Alexander Zverev

MLC polls: Congress candidate
Dr. D. Thimmaiah's papers accepted

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (RKB&DM)- In a big relief for the Congress, the nomination papers of party candidate Dr. D. Thimmaiah for the MLC polls from the dual-member Mysuru-Chamarajanagar seat, was accepted yesterday by Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. Bagadi Gautham, who is also the Electoral Officer.

BJP candidate Raghu R. Kautilya, citing lapses, had objected to the nomination papers of Dr. Thimmaiah when the scrutiny was taken up on Wednesday.

The DC, after receiving the BJP's objection, had deferred the decision on the acceptance of nomination papers of the Congress candidate to Thursday.

Dr. Bagadi Gautham, who continued arguments and counter-arguments of the advocates representing BJP and Congress candidates on Thursday too, had reserved his order for some time, before declaring that the nomination papers of Congress candidate Dr. Thimmaiah has been accepted. The acceptance of the papers has brought a big relief to the Congress candidate after two days of anxiety.

While senior advocate Sheshagiri Rao argued for the BJP candidate, noted High Court advocate A.S. Ponnanna argued for the Congress candidate.

Speaking after his nomination papers were accepted, Congress candidate Dr. Thimmaiah said that there were no wrongs in his papers and as such he did not have any tension.

Contending that the nomination papers filed by him were in order, he said that the DC, who is also the Electoral Officer, has rejected the BJP's contention.

Lashing out at the BJP for playing dirty politics over his nomination papers, he expressed confidence that he would win the MLC polls.

Advocate Sheshagiri Rao, representing BJP candidate Raghu Kautilya, said BJP had raised objection contending that there was scope for any corrections only before filing of nomination papers and not during scrutiny.

Maintaining that there was disparity in respect of the declaration of assets by the Congress candidate, he said that the BJP had filed objection citing several wrongs in the papers, adding that the objections were raised based on a Supreme Court order.

High Court Advocate A.S. Ponnanna, who argued on behalf of the Congress candidate, said that the BJP had raised objection to the nomination papers of Congress candidate Dr. Thimmaiah, citing incorrect filling up of PAN number column and also about improper submission of details regarding liabilities.

Pointing out that he convinced the Electoral Officer (Dr. Bagadi Gautham) that the typing errors in respect of a couple of columns were only minor in nature, he said that the Electoral Officer agreed to his contention and accepted the papers of Dr. Thimmaiah.

Meanwhile, the nomination papers of all the eight candidates, including that of BJP, Congress and JD(S) are found to be in order. The candidates who have filed nomination are:

Raghu R. Kautilya of BJP, Dr. D. Thimmaiah of Congress, C.N. Manjegowda of JD(S), Vatal Nagaraj of Kannada Chaluvali Paksha and Independent candidates Mullur Gurulingaiah of Saragur, K.C. Basavarajaswamy of J.P.Nagar in city, R. Manjunath of Manjunathanagar in city and P.S. Yediyurappa of Periyapatna.

Today (Nov.26) is the last day for withdrawal of nomination papers. The polling will take place on Dec.10 and the counting of votes will be taken up on Dec.14.

Raghu seeks Seer's blessings

BJP candidate Raghu R. Kautilya, who is contesting the MLC election from the dual-member Mysuru-Chamarajanagar seat, seeking the blessings of Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji yesterday.

CM to release 66 Kannada books in B'luru tomorrow

Bengaluru, Nov. 26 (SSM)- Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will release 66 Kannada books brought out by Sapna Book House, Bengaluru, as part of 66th Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations at Gandhi Bhavan in Bengaluru, tomorrow (Nov. 27) at 10.30 am.

Senior litterateur Nadoja Dr. Kamala Hampana will preside. Kannada and Culture Minister V. Sunil Kumar will be the chief guest. Senior litterateur Dr. H.S. Venkatesha Murthy will speak on the topic 'Nadu-Nudiya Drushtiyalli Pustakagalu' while noted critic Dr. C.N. Ramachandran on 'Kruthi Vistara' and Chief Editor of *Kannada Prabha* Ravi Hegde on 'Samakalina Pustaka Samskruthi.'

There will be light music programme by Dr. Kikkeri Krishnamurthy and team at 10 am and 'Hasyollasa' by M.S. Narasimha Murthy, Y.V. Gundu Rao and H. Dundi Raj at 12.30 pm, according to a press release.

'Nrithya Sangama' on Saturday

Vidu. Sowmya *Vidu. Bhavya* *Vidu. Sourabha* *Vidu. Bhavani*

Vidu. Meenakshi *Vidu. Dia* *Vidu. Tejaswini & Vidu. Yashaswini*

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (SSM)- City-based Kumar Performing Arts Centre has organised 'Nrithya Sangama' programme at Kalemane Sabhaangana, M.G. Koppal, near Abhishek Circle in Vijayanagar, on Nov. 27 between 4.30 pm and 8 pm.

On the occasion, Vidu. Nagalakshmi Nagarajan will be speaking on the topic 'Marga Karanas of Natyashastra' followed by Bharatanatya performances by Vidu. Sowmya Rupangudi, disciple of Guru Suma Nagesh; Vidu. G.N. Tejaswini and Vidu. G.N. Yashaswini, disciples of Guru Seetha Guruprasad; Vidu. Bhavya, Vidu. Sourabha, Vidu. Bhavani, Vidu. Meenakshi and Vidu. Dia, disciples of Guru Samudhyata Bhat.

Vidushis Dr. Chethana Radhakrishna, Dr. Kripa Phadke, Srilakshmi, Vid. Badari Divya Bhushan, Centre Founder-Director Dr. K. Kumar, his wife Dr. G. Malathy and 'Kalemane Sisters' K.M. Lekha and K.M. Nidhi will present at inaugural function.

For details, contact Mob: 98866-54887.

Musical event and felicitation to COVID Warriors on Nov. 27

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (SSM)- City-based Arabhi Samskrutika Trust has organised a 'Bhava Namana' light music programme in honour of frontline COVID warriors tomorrow (Nov. 27) at Kalamandira, Hunsur Road here at 6 pm.

Addressing a press meet at Pathrakarthara Bhavan, Trustee Dr. Kuldeep said that 'The Trust was launched in 2018 to provide a platform for amateur singers. But due to COVID lockdown since the past two years, it was impossible to conduct any event.'

This year the programme is organised to honour doctors, nurses, ASHA workers and Police who are the frontline COVID warriors. A few selected warriors will be felicitated, he said.

Singers Dr. G.V. Bharathi, P. Mahesh Kumar, Dr. Raghuveer, Dr. Sunitha, Mysuru Mahalingu, Jeevan Kumar, Mahadev, Jyothi and Premalatha will render songs. Also, a tribute will be paid to late actor Puneeth Rajkumar.

Poura Bandhu, a book on former Mysuru Mayor Narayan

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (PM&DM)- 'Poura Bandhu,' a book on former Mayor Narayan, will be released at a programme organised under the joint aegis of University of Mysore's (UoM) N. Rachaiah Study Chair and Karnataka State Federation of Pourakarmika Associations, at Senate Bhavan in Manasagangothri tomorrow (Nov.27).

Announcing this at a press meet here yesterday, the Chair faculty Prof. H.B. Mallikarjunaswamy said that former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah will inaugurate the programme at 11 am. Former Union Minister and senior Congress leader K.H. Muniyappa will release the book. UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar will preside. Former MP R. Dhruvanarayan, MLA L. Nagendra and ex-Mayor Narayan, will be present. Journalist Shivakumar will speak on the book. The programme will also feature a seminar on the topic 'The Status of Pourakarmikas in Contemporary Karnataka.'

Siddharamaiah *K.H.Muniyappa* *Narayan*

Siddu to inaugurate event; Muniyappa to release book

Former UoM faculty Prof. B.P. Maheshchandraguru will deliver the valedictory address at 4 pm.

Online flute recital tomorrow

Mysuru, Nov. 26- Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru, will be presenting an online Hindustani flute concert by Pandit Sameer Rao tomorrow (Nov. 27) at 5 pm. He will be accompanied Pt. Bhimashankar Bidanur on tabla. Music-lovers are requested to watch the concert by visiting Sabha's YouTube channel at Sri ThyagarajaSangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust

Sameer Rao *Pt. Bhimashankar*

WORD OF THE DAY

Enclave

Pronunciation: EN-klayv.
Meaning: An enclave is an area inhabited by people who are different in some way from the people in the surrounding areas.
Origin: Enclave comes from French enclaver, meaning "to enclose," which itself is based on the Latin noun clavis, meaning "key." Clavis opened the door to a few other English words, some of which might seem unlikely relatives of enclave. For example, clavicle, the word for the bone that joins the breastbone and the shoulder blade, and the musical sign clef.
Example: "Harlem ... was rapidly evolving; once a rural, village-like enclave for rich English, Dutch and French families, it had become desirable among city elites." — Sandra E. Garcia

THE ODD WORD

Eclogue

Pastoral or rustic poem.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

An axe to grind

Meaning: When you say you have 'An Axe to Grind' you mean that you have a grievance.
Origin: Although there are a few theories about the origin of the expression 'an axe to grind,' one of the most popular comes from a proverbial story dating back to the mid-1800s, in which a man convinces a boy to turn a grindstone so that he can sharpen an axe. When the school bell rings, the man scolds the boy for being late and does not pay him. Therefore, the boy now has 'an axe to grind' with the man who owes him money.
Example: "I have an axe to grind with the boss. This is the last time he's going to make me stay late on a Friday night."

QUOTE BOX

Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe. **—Abraham Lincoln**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Back door

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 What PCR and RFLP test
4 A hat or coat may be hung on this
7 Rows or lines especially for spectators in a stadium
9 Unappropriate
12 Highest point
13 Capital of Egypt
14 Loss of speech
15 Capital city of Canada
17 For each, or for every
18 Move on ice on steel blades fixed to boots
20 Come together
21 Consumes "teas" for a change?
22 Tug
23 High-ranking churchmen
27 Chime
28 Author Hubbard (1,3)
29 Answer, abbr.
30 Looks closely at
32 Clothing edge
35 More profound
37 Jewish state
39 Blood of the gods
40 Austria's capital
41 Former South African paceman Makhaya ___
42 Diplomatic messenger
43 Lightning Sensor Sys.
44 Paki spy group

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

I	T	E	■	N	U	T	S	■	■	F	A	N
R	U	R	■	E	N	U	R	E	■	O	S	E
A	L	L	■	H	I	T	O	N	■	U	S	S
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G	L	O	B	■	I	R	R	■	A	S	T	I
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D	U	T	Y	■	L	M	S	■	L	I	N	K
■	■	■	E	D	S	■	H	A	Y	■	■	■
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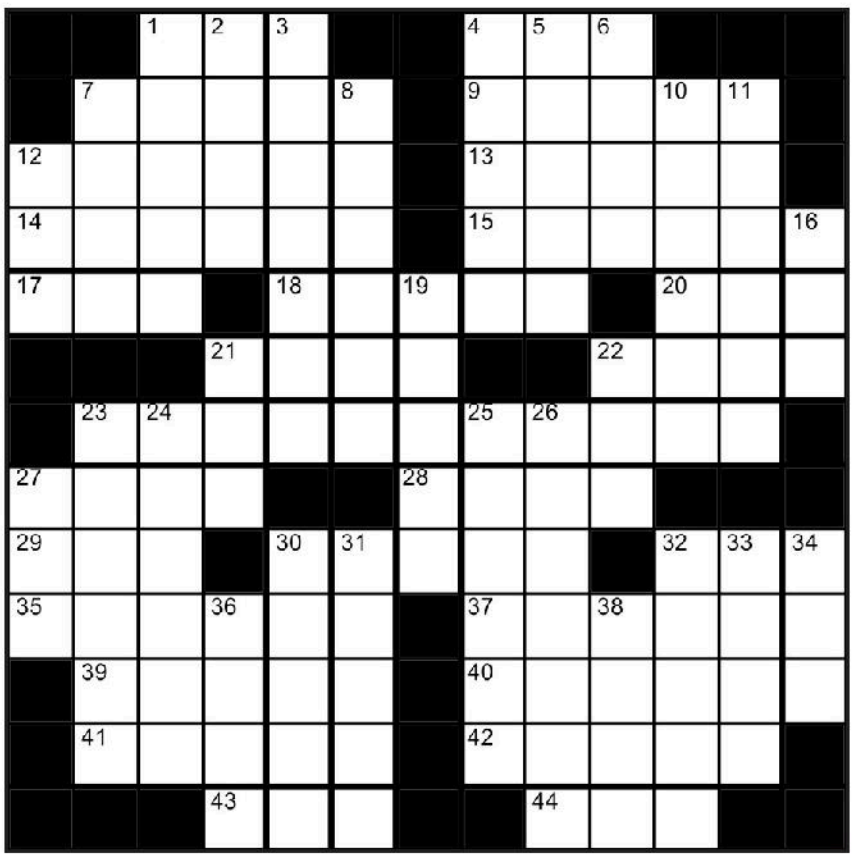
T	D	S	■	■	G	E	T	S	■	L	E	E

DOWN
1 Currency of Algeria
2 ___ Diamond: famous singer?
3 Craftsman
4 Small loop of twisted thread in edging to lace, etc.
5 Related on the mother's side
6 A manner of walking
7 Far as a prefix
8 ___ Kapoor : villain turned comedian?
10 Capital of the Czech Republic
11 Drying cloths
12 Vaporize
16 __ out: with maximum effort ?
19 Former Kiwi batsman Nathan ___
21 Poached item
22 __ drop silence
23 Exhausted or killed? (4,2)
24 Small creature
25 Reach a point
26 Beethoven contemporary
27 Flit about
30 Office boys in our local offices?
31 To __ __ human and forgive divine? (3,2)
32 City in Vietnam
33 Counting-out starter
34 Elected rep.
36 Ex-England spinner ___ Edmonds
38 ___ up : increases in strength or accelerates sharply?



SUDOKU

	5		6		7		8	
8								6
	6		4		8		5	
3				4				5
		5	8		2	4		
7				9				1
	7		1		4		9	
6								4
	4		2		3		1	

Answer to previous puzzle

5	2	7	1	8	9	4	6	3
3	8	1	2	4	6	5	9	7
9	4	6	7	5	3	8	2	1
7	3	4	5	2	1	9	8	6
1	5	8	6	9	4	3	7	2
6	9	2	8	3	7	1	4	5
4	1	5	9	6	2	7	3	8
8	6	3	4	7	5	2	1	9
2	7	9	3	1	8	6	5	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

RFM QZPEL KH XW JZGCRPW, UEE XUCNKCL UPM XW

TPMRFPMC, UCL RZ LZ BZZL KH XW PMEKBKZC.

TODAY'S CLUE: R EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: : The face is the mirror of the mind, and eyes without speaking confess the secrets of the heart.

'Nudi Namana' on Nov. 29

Mysuru, Nov. 26 (SSM)- Chutuku Sahitya Parishat has organised a 'Nudi Namana' programme in memory of late actor Puneeth Rajkumar at the Institution of Engineers Auditorium on JLB Road in city on Nov. 29 at 11 am.

Former Minister C.H. Vijayashankar will inaugurate. Film Producer Srinivas will preside. Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal and District Chutuku Sahitya Parishat Founder Dr. M.G.R. Urs will be the chief guests.

Ex-MLC Thontadarya, President of Chutuku Sahitya Parishat Central Committee, will offer floral tribute to Puneeth Rajkumar's portrait.

Dr. Rathna Halappagowda, President, District Chutuku Sahitya Parishat and H.M.T. Lingaraje Urs of 'Vaidya Vartha' Publication will speak on the actor's contribution to the film industry and the society, according to a press release.

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

- **Rajkamal Theatre** **Ph: 2423554**
  Antim The Final Truth (H) - 4 shows
- **Sangam Theatre** **Ph: 2520494**
  Mugil Pete (K) - 4 shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** **Mob: 9900820093**
  Govinda Govinda (K) - 4 shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** **Ph: 2452958**
  Sakath (K) - 4 shows
- **Lido Theatre** **Ph: 2420885**
  Govinda Govinda (K) - 4 shows
- **Padma Theatre** **Ph: 2521923**
  Nan Hesaru Kishora Yel Pass Yentu (K) & Mugil Pete (K) - 2 shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** **Ph: 2443568**
  Sakath (K) - 4 shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** **Ph: 2422871**
  Bhajarangi 2 (K) - 4 shows
- **Balaji Theatre** **Ph: 2497199**
  Satyameva Jayate-2 (H) - 4 shows
- **Uma Theatre** **Ph: 2520009**
  Ellinda Aarambavo (K) 1 Show; Mallige (K) - 3 shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

3D Encanto (E)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 12.25 pm, 5.05 pm
Govinda Govinda (K)	(S-1)	2.15 pm
Garuda Gamana Vrishabha Vahana (K)	(S-1)	7.10 pm
	(S-2)	10.20 am, 9.55 pm (S-3) 1.30 pm
Sakath (K)	(S-2)	1.20 pm
	(S-3)	10.30 am, 7.00 pm
Maanaadu (Ta)	(S-2)	4.00 pm
Satyameva Jayate-2 (H)	(S-2)	7.05 pm
100 (K)	(S-3)	4.35 pm
Kaaval (Ma)	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Antim The Final Truth (H)	(S-4)	10.30 am, 4.05 pm, 7 pm, 9.55 pm
Amrutha Apartments (K)	(S-4)	1.20 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — Ph: 2533444 / 2533456

Sathyameva Jayathe (H)	(S-3)	9.40 am, 3.40 pm, 9.35 pm
Antim: The Final Truth (H)	(S-1)	9.50 am, 3.55 pm, 6.55 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-3)	12.40 pm
Maanaadu (Ta)	(S-4)	1.05 pm
Garuda Gamana Vrishabha Vahana (K)	(S-1)	12.50 pm (S-2) 9.45 pm
Sakath (K)	(S-2)	10.05 pm, 1.05 pm, 6.40 pm
Encanto (En)	(S-4)	10.45 pm, 7.05 pm
Govinda Govinda (K)	(S-4)	4.10 pm
Amruth Apartments (K)	(S-3)	6.40 pm
Sooryavanshi (H)	(S-4)	9.25 pm
100 (K)	(S-2)	4.05 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

100 (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am
Garuda Gamana Vrishabha Vahana (K)	(S-1)	1 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-4)	3.55 pm
Sathyameva Jayathe (H)	(S-1)	4.00 pm
	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Sakath (K)	(S-1)	6.45 pm
	(S-2)	10.20 am, 1.05 pm
Maanaadu (Ta)	(S-2)	3.50 pm, 6.40 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-4)	10.30 am
Anthim (H)	(S-3)	10.30 am, 4 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Mugil Pete (K)	(S-4)	1.20 pm
Kaaval (Ma)	(S-4)	6.45 pm, 9.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (NOV. 26)

- **New Crafts:** Silk India-2021, Nanjaraja Bahaddur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **upto 8 pm.**
- **University of Mysore Alumni Association (UMAA):** Global Convention of UMAA, Rani Bahadur Auditorium, Hunsur Road, **4 pm.**
- **Rotary Jayaprakashnagar, Mysuru:** Kannada Rajyotsava, Rotary Asst. Governor Rtn. S.R. Swamy inaugurates, journalist Amshi Prasannakumar main speaker, felicitation to District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal and District Rajyotsava awardee Rtn. Dr. Mullur Nanjundaswamy, Rotary Jayaprakashnagar President Rtn. K.S. Kumar presides, Pt. Puttaraja Gawai Stadium, J.P. Nagar, **4.30 pm.**
- **Sri Rajeshwari Vastralankara Rangatanda, Mysuru and Department of Kannada and Culture, Bengaluru-Mysuru:** Theatre Festival in memory of Keerthana Sarvabhouma R. Gururajulu Naidu, Prof. R. Bheemasena, President, Karnataka Nataka Academy, inaugurates the Theatre Fest, Prof. H.S. Umesh, senior theatre person, presides, Srinivas (Papu), Chairman, Pension Selection Committee for the Artistes and Littérateurs in Crisis, Kalashree Dr. Lakshmandas, Harikatha Scholar and H.B. Yashoda, President, Sri Rajeshwari Vastralankara Rangatanda, guests; Felicitation to R. Navaratnamma and Prema Naidu, wives of R. Gururajulu Naidu and Subbanarasimha and Prakash Shenoy, senior theatre artistes; Harikathe 'Gajagowri Vrata' by Dr. Sheela Naidu, daughter of R. Gururajulu Naidu, **5.30 pm;** Staging of mythological play 'Mohini Bhasmasura' by Mysuru District Kannada Professional Theatre Artistes Association [Writer: Jayalakshmi; Director: H.B. Yashoda; Asst. Director: Sulochana; Music Support: Jnanesha Guddappa, Mahadevachar and Lokesh; Stage Design-Light-Sound: Raveesh, Rangaswamy, Nagendra, Sathish, Darshan and Fayaz; Management: B.M. Ramachandra], Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Mysuru Book Clubs-2015 and Mohan Rangarao:** Book launch — 'Inner Trek' authored by Mohan Rangarao (retired Businessman and Author), Author in conversation with Prof. Shankar Bellur (Author & Career Mentor) to discuss the book and his inspiration behind it, Oyster Bay's Hall, The Arena 220, Kannada Sahitya Parishat Road, Vijayanagar, **5.30 pm.** [Mob: 95359-10493]
- **Ganabharathi:** Karnatak Classical Music Concert by Vid. Hemmige S. Prashanth, Vid. Mathur Srinidhi - violin, Vid. A. Radhesh - mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda - ghata, Ganabharathi, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Vasundhara Performing Arts Centre, Mysuru:** 36th edition of Vasundharotsava-2021, National-level Classical Dance and Music Festival (dedicated to *Sarvashreshta Kalaposhaka* late K.V. Murthy), Bharatanatyam by Vid. Vidya Rani Ujwal (UK), **6 pm to 7.15 pm;** Kathak duet by Vidu. Bharati Vittal and Bhuvan G. Prasad, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **7.20 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Apravarambe, Mysuru and Department of Kannada and Culture, Bengaluru:** 'Kartika Rangotsava,' Rangayana Mysuru Director Addanda C. Cariappa inaugurates the Theatre Festival and releases Nagachandra's book (Theatre Text) on "M.R. Sri's play *Dharmaduranta*," MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev presides, cultural thinker K. Raghuram Vajpayee chief guest, senior theatre personality Nagachandra and Publisher Samskruti Subramanya will be present, **'Raaga Ranga' by students of Sri Gurukula School, Mysuru,** RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** *Padma Shri* R. Nagaratnamma Theatre Camp - Staging of play 'Chitrapata' (Written by H.S. Venkateshmurthy; Music: Digvijaya Heggodu; Director: Jeevan Kumar B. Heggodu), actor Shivajirao Jadhav and Rangayana Mysuru Director Addanda C. Cariappa will be present, Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

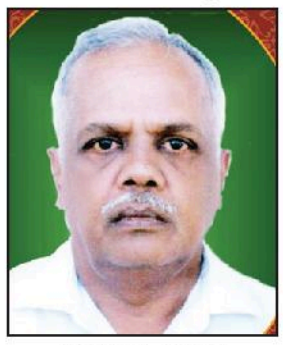
Sanchalana Children's Theatre and Folk Art Fest

- **Sanchalana Mysore, Arka Dhama, Shravanashrama, Bhoomideepa and Sri Kashi Vishwanatha Temple Trust:** Valedictory of 'Sanchalana Children's Theatre and Folk Art Festival — Kuniyonu Baara...,' folk dance, theatre songs, folk songs and Kannada songs; Former MLA Chikkanna presides, Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage Deputy Director Nirmala Mathapati, Sargur BEO Chandrakanth, G.B. Sargur Government Higher Primary School Head Mistress Jayamma, G.B. Sargur Government High School Head Master Mallesh, JD-S leader K. Krishnanayaka and film actors Bala Rajwadi and Chandraprabha chief guests; Staging of play 'Mayadwara' by students of G.B. Sargur Govt. Higher Primary School [Writer and Asst. Director: Marutesh Kalapura; Direction Assistance: Shankar Nag and Hanumantha; Director: Deepak Mysore]; 'Karadi Hanumantappana Kappa Kanike' by students of G.B. Sargur Govt. High School [Writer: Marutesh Kalapura; Asst. Director: Shankar Nag and Hanumantha; Director: Deepak Mysore], Sri Kashi Vishwanatha Temple premises, G.B. Sargur, Bogadi-Gaddige Road, H.D. Kote, **6 pm.** [Mob: 99456-16423 or 98450-75762]

EVENTS TOMORROW (NOV. 27)

- **Vidyavardhaka Sangha (VVS), Mysuru and Vidyavardhaka First Grade College, Seshadri Iyer Road:** Constitution Day, MP Pratap Simha chief guest, VVS Hon. President Gundappa Gowda presides, VVS Hon. Secretary P. Vishwanath, Hon. Treasurer Srishaila Ramannavar and College Management Board President T. Nagaraju guests, Vidyavardhaka First Grade College Principal Dr. S. Marigowda will be present, P.M. Chikkaboraiah auditorium, College premises, **10 am.**
- **Rashtrotthana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru:** Kannada Book Festival, Book Expo-cum-Sale, **11 am to 9 pm;** Interaction meet featuring librarians from Educational Institutions and Public Libraries, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **4 pm.**
- **Kumar Performing Arts Centre:** 'Nrithya Sangama' Bharatanatyam programme, Kalemane auditorium, #262, 1st Cross, M.G. Koppal, **4.30 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Manthana Mysuru:** Book release — 'India that is Bharat: Coloniality, Civilisation, Constitution' authored by Supreme Court (SC) Advocate J. Sai Deepak — by titular head of Mysore Royal Family Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, discussion with the author, Vijnana Bhavan, Manasagangothri, **5 pm.** [Invitees Only]
- **Sri Rajeshwari Vastralankara Rangatanda, Mysuru and Department of Kannada and Culture, Bengaluru-Mysuru:** Theatre Festival in memory of Keerthana Sarvabhouma R. Gururajulu Naidu, Dr. M. Kiran Kumar, Harikatha Scholar, Mallikarjunaswamy, Joint Director, Department of Kannada and Culture and Radha Kodagu, Member, Karnataka Nataka Academy, guests, Prof. H.S. Umesh, senior theatre person, presides, H.B. Yashoda, President, Sri Rajeshwari Vastralankara Rangatanda, chief guest; Felicitation to Raveesh and Nagaratna, senior theatre artistes; Harikathe 'Lava Kusha' by Mysuru's Harikatha Vidushis Vaani and Veena, **5.30 pm;** Staging of play 'Bhakta Kanakadasa' by Rangachavadi, Mysuru, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Trust and Sri Krishna Mithra Mandali:** Felicitation to Sri Vidyasagara Theertha Sripadangal of Udupi Sri Krishnapura Mutt, Sri Vidyashreesha Theertha Sripadaru of Srisosale Vyasaraja Mutt graces the occasion, Sri Krishnadhama, Saraswathipuram, **6 pm.** [To perform *Pada Puja*, contact Sri Krishnadhama on Ph: 0821-2544004 or Mob: 86189-19723 or Mob: 94490-88317]
- **Apravarambe, Mysuru and Department of Kannada and Culture, Bengaluru:** 'Kartika Rangotsava,' mono act 'Main Pennu Fir Milangi' by Chitra Venkataraju of Shanthala Kalavidaru, Chamarajanagar [Director: Nataraj, Honnavalli], P. Mallesh inaugurates, M. Chandrashekar will be present, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

'SARASWATI' Prof. B.S. Pandit Memorial Concert on Nov. 27, 28



Prof. B.S. Pandit

Mysuru, Nov. 26- Geetha Shishu Shikshana Sangha (GSS), Mysuru, a premier education society, was founded by the great educationist and visionary, late Prof. B.S. Pandit, Founder-Secretary, GSSS.

In his fond memory, B.S. Pandit Memorial Concert 'Saraswati' is being organised by GSSS every year during Kartika Masa since 2019, in GSSS Institute of Engineering and Technology for Women (GSSSIETW) campus, KRS Road, Mysuru.

This year, GSSS, Mysuru, is organising B.S. Pandit Memorial Concert 'Saraswati' at M. Govinda Rao Memorial Auditorium, GSSSIETW on KRS Road on Nov. 27 and 28 at 6.30 pm.

Nov. 27: Bharatanatyam recital by *Natyarani Shanthala* awardee Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy along with her team — Nanda Kumar Unnikrishnan - Vocal, Sandesh Bhargav - Natuvanga, H.L. Shivashankaraswamy - mridanga, Krishna Prasad - Flute and Pradeshacharya - Violin.

Nov. 28: Karnatak Music Concert by T.M. Krishna with his team — Akkarai Subhalakshmi - Violin, N.C. Bharadwaj - Mridanga and Giridhar Udupa - Ghata.

Bus facility is available from different parts of Mysuru city. Bus routes are as follows: 1. Sri Krishnadhama, T.K. Layout; 2. Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar; 3. Sri Nadabramha Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, Lakshmipuram; 4. Javaregowda Park, Saraswathipuram; 5. Auto Stand, Ramaswamy Circle; 6. Vontikoppal, near Temple; 7. GSSS School, Siddarthanagar.

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